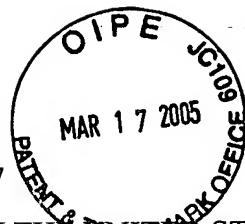


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 15, 2004, with the period for timely response extended by three months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 5 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes in the Appendix.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.